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Since Microsoft got away with illigally bundling middleware programs, and is a monopoly, further distribution for the next few years of Microsoft Windows Operating Systems should be prohibited from containing such bundled middleware programs, either through discount or use of freeware.

Hardware vendors must give at least 5 choices other than MS Windows, with full interlopility of its hardware.

Other than that, the proposal I feel does do a lot for the time being. I agree with most of the terms of the proposal. Since Microsoft's monopoly is illigal, in case that after the duration of the Judgement Microsoft still has ways to run a monopoly on the software scene, perhaps a more generic, more widely applicable set of rules for competitive software distribution will be necessary.

Thanks for considering my opinions.

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